Sri V. M. MASCARENHAS.—The reason why I am saying this is that these members have afforded to buy these sites at prices demanded by the Trust Board. There is no discrimination of any kind.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The object of putting this question, it seems to me, is that the legal procedure or formality is not strictly observed. That is all the point.

Supply of dresses to menial staff of Bowring and Lady Curzon Hospitals.

Q.—241. Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN (Ulsoor).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) when the dresses to the Bowring and Lady Curzon Hospitals menial staff (*i.e.*, Ward Boys and Ayahs) and patients were supplied last;

(*b*) what is the new system, if any, that is now contemplated in distributing the same?

A.—Sri T. CHANNIAH (Minister for Public Health and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) For the menial staff in the month of December 1951 and for patients in April and June 1953.

(*b*) The new system followed during the year 1952-53 contemplates direct purchase of cloth from the mills, getting the linen stitched at the Medical Stores, Bangalore, after calling for quotations for stitching charges only and distributing them to the Institutions on their indents by limiting the quotations to the amounts that they have sent.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—When were the dresses supplied to the menial staff of this hospital and when were they due to be supplied?

Sri T. CHANNIAH.—The dresses were due last year. Dresses have already been supplied to Ayahs and Ward Boys. As regards patients, necessary supplies were made in April and June 1953.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—Is it not a fact that Ayahs and Ward boys were supplied with dresses in the month of September 1952?

Sri T. CHANNIAH.—The Superintendent of the Hospital did not send the indent for the excess amount. The delay is due to that. There has been delay in the purchase of cloth consequently. The Director of Medical Services will arrange for supply of dresses to the servants in time.

Sanitary Board and Municipality at Arsikere.

Q.—245. Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN (Ulsoor).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there is a Sanitary Board and a municipality at Arsikere;

(*b*) what are the conditions to constitute a separate Sanitary Board?

A.—Sri T. CHANNIAH (Minister for Public Health and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Please see Section 160 (1) of the Village Panchayets and District Boards Act, 1952.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—Where is the necessity for instituting a separate Sanitary Board for Arsikere when there is a municipality?

Mr. SPEAKER.—That has been answered on a previous occasion.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—Is it the inherent right of the Government to appoint Vice-Chairman to this Sanitary Board?

Sri T. CHANNIAH.—It is not a question of inherent right. The Amildar of Arsikere is now the Vice-Chairman of the Sanitary Board.

Sri M. PALANIYAPPAN.—What is the amount of grant that is granted to the Sanitary Board?

Sri T. CHANNIAH.—Notice.